# Media Advisory

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### Bring One for the Chipper Christmas Tree Recycling Event

~ The event also includes document shredding, household hazardous waste items and the collection of electronics ~

WHO: The Department of Public Works, The Clean City Commission and The Department of Public Utilities

WHAT: 14th Annual Bring One for the Chipper Christmas Tree Recycling Event

WHEN: Saturday, January 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: 1710 Robin Hood Road (northeast corner of Robin Hood Road and North Arthur Ashe Boulevard)

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Richmond's *E-Cycle Day* offers City residents an efficient option to recycle paper and electronics to help keep hazardous waste materials out of city waterways, streams and rivers. Recycling Christmas trees keeps them out of the landfill and allows them to be re-purposed and used as mulch. This event is available to city residents – proof of residency is required. Please note, this is a drive-thru event. Volunteers will remove items from the cars.

### **Christmas Tree Recycling**

#### DIY Drop-off Locations

- 1710 Robin Hood Road
  - Day of the Event drop off trees (with no lights or decorations) from 10 am 2 pm
  - o Prior to the event place trees (with no lights or decorations) in the designated area of the parking lot
  - o NOTE: No trees will be accepted at 1710 Robin Hood Road after the event ends at 2 p.m. on January 14
- East Richmond Road Convenience Center (ERRCC), 3800 East Richmond Road
  - o Hours of Operation: M-F from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. & Sat. 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
  - Drop off trees (with no lights or decorations) through January 13

Curbside Collection - handled by DPW's Bulk and Brush Team (not by CVWMA)

- Place Christmas tree (with no lights or decorations) beside your recycle bin area and the *tree will be picked up during your regular recycle collection week*
- Trees will be collected curbside through Friday, January 13
- Note: All trees collected curbside or dropped off at the ERRCC will be recycled

## **Paper Document Shredding**

- Up to five (5) boxes of documents
- o Be sure to remove all binders, staples and clips

### **Electronics** (various fees apply)

o Computer systems (hard drive or CPU) and accessories (cables, wires, keyboards, mice, speakers, etc.) VCRs, camcorders, stereos and all phones

Televisions, computer monitors and printers

- Other used electronic equipment (almost anything with a plug see the online list for clarification)
- o Go to <u>www.rva.gov/public-works/clean-city-commission</u> to get fees and the full list of electronics to recycle

# Household Hazardous Waste Items (HHW)

- o Pesticides, Herbicides and Oil-based Paints
- Bug spray, rodent poison and herbicides (Roundup, Weed B Gon etc.)
- o Latex and water based paints will **not** be collected. *These items can be left in open paint cans until they have dried out and then put in with regular curbside trash pick-up.*

If you have questions about your tree pick-up, call 804-646-8325. For more information on recycling or the event, please visit us online at www.rva.gov/public-works/clean-city-commission or email us at AskPublicWorks@rva.gov

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The City of Richmond Department of Public Works (DPW) is one of only 195 currently accredited public works agencies in the United States. DPW's portfolio comprises a wide array of services to include leaf collection; street, sidewalk and alley maintenance; trash collection; recycling; grass cutting; graffiti removal; parking enforcement; urban forestry; street signs; traffic signals and pavement markings and civil engineering. In addition, DPW maintains upkeep on most city buildings; issues permits for working in the city's right-of-way; manages the RVA Bike Share program and maintains the fleet of city vehicles. DPW's operating budget comes from the general fund of the City of Richmond. For more information about DPW services, click here or call 3-1-1

The City of Richmond Department of Public Utilities (DPU) is a premier provider of utility service. DPU provides natural gas, water, wastewater and stormwater service to more than 500,000 residential and commercial customers in the metropolitan region. In addition, DPU operates an electric street lighting utility, which maintains 37,000 streetlights throughout the City. For more information, visit DPU's website at <a href="https://www.rva.gov/public-utilities">www.rva.gov/public-utilities</a>.